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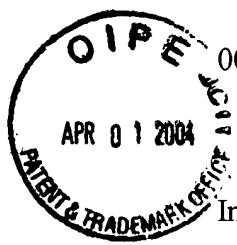
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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Haruhito ONO et al. )  
Application No.: 09/819,907 )  
Filed: March 29, 2001 )  
For: ELECTRON OPTICAL SYSTEM, )  
CHARGED-PARTICLE BEAM EXPOSURE )  
APPARATUS USING THE SAME, AND )  
DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD :

Examiner: D. Vanore  
Group Art Unit: 2881  
Confirmation No.: 5369  
Allowed: March 1, 2004  
April 1, 2004

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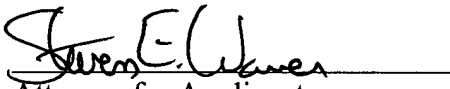
Applicants have received a Notice of Allowance and a Notice of Allowability dated March 1, 2004, in the above-identified application. Applicants, however, filed a Sixth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement on January 29, 2004, prior to issuance of the Notice of Allowance on March 1, 2004. To date, the Examiner has not yet indicated consideration of that paper. Accordingly, Applicants request that the Examiner indicate consideration of the material submitted in that Information Disclosure Statement by initialing and returning a copy of the PTO-1449 form attached to that paper. Attached, for the Examiner's convenience, are copies of the Sixth Supplemental Information Disclosure

Statement, the PTO-1449 form, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office date stamped postcard receipt indicating the filing of those papers on that date.

Applicants believe that no fees should be incurred in connection with filing this paper. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1205, should any fees be associated herewith. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for this purpose.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our address listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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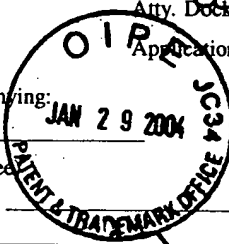
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SIXTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Further to the Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 23, 2001, the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on January 29, 2003, the Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on July 25, 2003, the Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 7, 2003, the Fourth Information Disclosure Statement filed on November 6, 2003, and the Fifth Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 16, 2003, and in compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

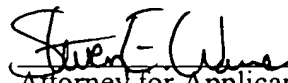
The Examiner's attention is also directed to copending U.S. patent application number 10/454,576, filed June 5, 2003. A copy of this application is also enclosed.

Applicants request that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 form be initialed and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

We also enclose a check for the required fee of \$180.00 to cover the Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c)(2). The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1205 should any other fees be deemed necessary in connection with this paper.

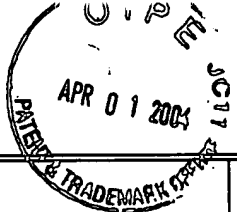
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